

Amendments to the Specification

On page 1, before “**Background of the Invention**” please insert the following paragraph:

Cross-Reference to Related Applications

This application is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 09/629,585, entitled “Method And Apparatus For Uninterrupted Packet Transfer Using Replication Over Disjoint Paths,” filed July 31, 2000, and naming Bijendra N. Jain and Keith McCloghrie as inventors.